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THE VOTES OF

Both Houſes of *Parliament*,
the 20th. of MAY, 1642.

With the

Humble Petition

Of the

LORDS and COMMONS,

In Parliament aſſembled,

To the KINGS *moſt Excellent Majeſty*
at YORK.

London, Printed for *Joſeph Hunſcott*.

Die Veneris, 20 Maii, 1642.

Resolved upon the Question by the Lords and Commons, &c.

THat it appears, That the King, 1.
seduced by wicked Counsell, intends to make Warre against the Parliament, who (in all their Consultations and Actions) have proposed no other end unto Themselves, but the care of His Kingdomes, and the performance of all Duty and Loyalty to His person.

Resolved, &c.

That whensoever the King maketh 2.
War upon the Parliament, it is a breach of the Trust reposed in Him by His people, contrary to His Oath, and tending

to the dissolution of this Government.

Resolved, &c.

3. *That whosoever shall Serve or Assist Him in such Warres, are Traytors by the Fundamentall Laws of this Kingdom, and have been so adjudged by two Acts of Parliament, and ought to suffer as Traytors.*

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To

To the Kings moſt Excellent Majeſty:

The humble Petition of the Lords and Commons aſſembled in Parliament.

YOur Majeſties loyall Subjects the Lords and Commons in this Parliament, do humbly repreſent unto Your Majeſty, That notwithſtanding Your frequent profeſſions to Your Parliament and the Kingdom, and the late expreſſion in Your Anſwer of the thirteenth of *May*, to the Petition of the County of *York*, That Your deſire and intention is onely the preſerving of the true Proteſtant Profeſſion, the Laws of the Land, the Liberties of Your

People, and the Peace of the Kingdom; Nevertheleſſe with great grief we perceive by Your Speech of the Twelveth of *May*, and the paper printed in Your Majeſties Name, in the form of a Proclamation, bearing Date the 14 of *May*, and other evidences, That under colour of raiſing a Guard to ſecure Your Perſon, of which Guard, conſidering the fidelity and care of Your Parliament, there can be no uſe, your Majeſty doth command Troops both of Horſe and Foot to aſſemble at *York*, the very beginnings whereof, were apprehended by the Inhabitants of that County to be an affrightment and diſturbance of Your Majeſties liege People, as appears by their Petition preſented to Your Majeſty; the continuing and encreaſe of which Forces, is to Your

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Parliament, and muſt needs be, a juſt cauſe of great jealouſie and danger to Your whole Kingdom.

Therefore we do humbly beſeech Your Majeſty to disband all ſuch Forces as by Your command are aſſembled; and relying for Your ſecurity as Your Predeceſſors have done, upon the Laws, and affections of Your People, you will be pleaſed to deſiſt from any further deſignes of this nature, contenting your Self with your uſuall and ordinary Guards; otherwiſe we ſhall hold our ſelves bound, in duty towards God, and the truſt repoſed in us by the People, and the Fundamentall Laws and Conſtitutions of this Kingdome, to employ our care and utmoſt power to ſecure the Parliament, and to preſerve the peace and quiet of the Kingdom.

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Die Lunæ, 23 Maii, 1642.

ORdered by the Lords in Parliament, That these Votes, and this Petition shall be forthwith printed and published.

Jo. Brown, Cleric. Parl.

FINIS.

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